- K. Remedies Not Limited; Interpretations. Nothing contained in this Article shall limit the authority of the Corporation to take such other action as it deems necessary or advisable to protect the Corporation and the interests of its stockholders from potential adverse tax effects that could result from certain changes in ownership of shares of Equity Stock. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the Board of Directors shall have the power and authority to administer the provisions of Section 4 of this Article IV and to make all interpretations and determinations with respect thereto which, if made in good faith, and absent manifest error, shall be conclusive and binding.
- L. <u>Legend</u>. Each certificate for shares of Equity Stock (if and to the extent certificated) shall bear the following or a similar legend:

"The shares of Hughes Electronics Corporation (the "Corporation") represented by this certificate are subject to restrictions set forth in the Corporation's Certificate of Incorporation, including restrictions based upon a holder's ownership of shares of Equity Stock, and to automatic conversion upon the occurrence of certain events, all as set forth therein. Capitalized terms used herein and not defined herein are defined in the Corporation's Certificate of Incorporation.

The Corporation will furnish without charge, to each stockholder who so requests, a copy of the relevant provisions of the Corporation's Certificate of Incorporation, which set forth the limitations and restrictions on ownership of Equity Stock. Any such request may be addressed to the Secretary of the Corporation or to the transfer agent named on the face hereof."

- M. <u>Severability</u>. Each provision of this Article shall be severable and an adverse judicial determination as to any such provision or a judicial modification of such provision shall in no way affect the validity of any other provisions.
- N. <u>Definitions</u>. As used in these Articles, the following terms shall have the meanings set forth below:

"Beneficial Ownership" shall mean beneficial ownership for U.S. federal income tax purposes. The terms "Beneficial Owner," "Beneficially Owns" and "Beneficially Owned" shall have the correlative meanings.

"Beneficiary" shall mean, with respect to any Trust, one or more organizations described in each of Section 170(b)(l)(A) (other than clauses (vii) and (viii) thereof) and Section 170(c)(2) of the Code that are named by the Corporation as the beneficiary or beneficiaries of such Trust, in accordance with the provisions of Section 4.D of this Article.

"Code" shall mean the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and any successor thereto.

"Equity Stock" shall mean any and all shares, interests, participation rights or other equivalents (however designated, whether voting or nonvoting) of capital stock, membership interests or equivalent ownership interests in or issued by the Corporation; it being understood that Equity Stock shall include shares of Common Stock of the Corporation.

"GM Affiliate" shall have the meaning ascribed to such term in the Separation Agreement.

"Hughes Affiliate" shall have the meaning ascribed to such term in the Separation Agreement.

"Initial Stockholder" shall mean (i) Purchaser, an Australia corporation, or (ii) any Qualified Subsidiary (as defined in the Stock Purchase Agreement) of Purchaser that acquires any shares of capital stock of the Corporation pursuant to the Stock Purchase Agreement or the Merger Agreement (as defined in the Stock Purchase Agreement) or that acquires any shares of capital stock of Hughes Electronics Corporation from Purchaser or a Qualified Subsidiary of Purchaser.

"Market Price" of Equity Stock (or Excess Stock) means, on any date of determination:

- (i) if, at the date of determination, the security is listed on a national securities exchange in the United States or is reported on the NASDAQ-National Market System, then the Market Price shall be deemed to be the Volume Weighted Average Trading Price if the security is listed on the New York Stock Exchange and, if not so listed, shall be deemed to be the Volume Weighted Average Trading Price of the daily sales prices as reported on such national securities exchange other than the New York Stock Exchange or on the NASDAQ-National Market System, as applicable, in each case for the five (5) consecutive Trading Days preceding and ending on the Trading Day immediately prior to the date of determination.
- (ii) if, at the date of determination, the security is not so listed or reported, but a "regular, active public market" exists for such security (as determined in the good faith, sole discretion of the Board of Directors, whose decision shall be conclusive and binding), then the Market Price shall be deemed to be the Volume Weighted Average Trading Price of the daily bid and ask quotations in the over-the-counter market for the security for the five (5) consecutive Trading Days preceding and ending on the Trading Day immediately prior to the date of determination. For purposes of the foregoing, a market in which trading is sporadic and the ask quotations generally exceed the bid quotations by more than 15% shall not be deemed to be a "regular, active public market."
- (iii) if, at the date of determination, neither clause (i) nor clause (ii) of this definition applies, then the Market Price shall be deemed to be the fair market value of the security as determined in the good faith, sole discretion of the Board of Directors, whose determination shall be conclusive and binding.

"Merger" shall have the meaning set forth in the Separation Agreement.

"Non-Transfer Event" shall mean an event (other than a purported Transfer) that would cause or result in an increase in the percentage of any Person's Beneficial Ownership of the outstanding shares of Equity Stock, provided that the consummation of the transactions specifically contemplated by the Transaction Agreements (and the receipt of Equity Stock in connection therewith) shall not result in or constitute a "Non-Transfer Event."

"Permitted Transferees" shall mean any Person designated as a Permitted Transferee in accordance with the provisions of Section 4.H of Article IV.

"Person" shall mean (a) an individual or any corporation, partnership, limited liability company, estate, trust, association, private foundation, joint stock company or any other entity, (b) a "group" as the term is used for purposes of Section 13(d)(3) of the Exchange Act; but shall not include an underwriter that participates in a public offering of stock (including Equity Stock) for a period of 90 days following purchase by such underwriter of such stock, and (c) a "person" as such term is used in Section 355(e) of the Code.

"Prohibited Owner" shall mean, with respect to any purported Transfer or Non-Transfer Event, any Person who is prevented from becoming or remaining the owner of record title to shares of Equity Stock by the provisions of Section 4.A of Article IV.

"Prohibited Party" shall mean, collectively, (x) any Person that engaged in substantial negotiations, as defined for purposes of Section 355(e) of the Code, with General Motors Corporation or the Corporation regarding an acquisition of GM Class H common stock or Equity Stock during the two (2) year period preceding the Split-Off and (y) (i) any Person from whom ownership of Equity Stock would be attributed to the Person described in clause (x) hereof for purposes of Section 355(e) of the Code and (ii) any member of a "coordinating group" as defined in Treasury Regulation Section 1.355-7T(h)(4) (or any successor thereto) that includes the Person described in clause (x) hereof (or any Person from whom ownership of Equity Stock would be attributed to such member for purposes of Section 355(e) of the Code); provided, however, that the term "Prohibited Party" shall not include an Initial Stockholder or a Subsidiary of an Initial Stockholder.

"Prohibition Period" shall mean the period beginning at the Split-Off Effective Time and ending on the day after the date that is one year after the date of the Split-Off Effective Time; provided that if, prior to the day after the date that is one year after the date of the Split-Off Effective Time, a Prohibited Party enters into an agreement, understanding, arrangement or negotiations (collectively, an "Agreement") which contemplates a transaction which, if consummated prior to such date, would constitute a Transfer or Non-Transfer Event subject to the restrictions imposed by Section 4.A of Article IV, then with respect to such Prohibited Party only, the Prohibition Period shall be extended until the later to occur of one day after (i) the date that is two (2) years after the date of the Split-Off Effective Time, and (ii) the date which is six (6) months after the date such transaction is consummated or such Agreement is terminated, as the case may be.

"Purported Beneficial Transferee" shall mean, with respect to any purported Transfer of Beneficial Ownership of shares of Equity Stock that results in the automatic conversion of such shares into Excess Stock, the purported transferee of Beneficial Ownership of such shares if such purported Transfer had not been prohibited by Section 4.A of Article IV.

"Purported Record Transferee" shall mean, with respect to any purported Transfer of Beneficial Ownership of shares of Equity Stock that results in the automatic conversion of such shares into Excess Stock, the purported record transferee of such shares if such purported Transfer had not been prohibited by Section 4.A of Article IV.

"Restricted Hughes Stock" shall mean capital stock of the Corporation received by any Initial Stockholder or Tax-Related Party in exchange for shares of GM Class H Common Stock, par value \$0.10 per share, or any other shares of General Motors Corporation capital stock, in each case acquired after March 20, 2003.

"Separation Agreement" shall mean the Separation Agreement by and between General Motors Corporation and the Corporation dated as of April 9, 2003, as in effect on the date hereof.

"Split-Off" shall have the meaning set forth in the Separation Agreement.

"Split-Off Effective Time" shall have the meaning set forth in the Separation Agreement.

"Stock Purchase Agreement" shall mean the Stock Purchase Agreement by and among The News Corporation Limited, the Corporation and General Motors Corporation dated as of April 9, 2003, as in effect on the date hereof.

"Subsidiary" shall have the meaning set forth in the Stock Purchase Agreement.

"Tax-Related Party" shall mean (i) any Person from whom ownership of Equity Stock would be attributed to any Initial Stockholder for purposes of Section 355(e) of the Code and (ii) any member of a "coordinating group" as defined in Treasury Regulation Section 1.355-7T(h)(4) (or any successor thereto) that includes any Initial Stockholder (or any Person from whom ownership of Equity Stock would be attributed to such member for purposes of Section 355(e) of the Code).

"Trading Day" shall mean 9:30 a.m. through 4:00 p.m., Eastern Time, of any day on which the principal national securities exchange on which any of the shares of Equity Stock are listed or admitted to trading is open for the transaction of business or, if none of the shares of Equity Stock are listed or admitted to trading on any national securities exchange, any day other than a Saturday, a Sunday or a day on which banking institutions in the State of New York are authorized or obligated by law or executive order to close.

"Transaction Agreements" shall have the meaning set forth in the Stock Purchase Agreement.

"Transfer" (as a noun) shall mean any sale, transfer, gift, assignment, devise or other disposition of Beneficial Ownership of Equity Stock, whether voluntary or involuntary and whether by operation of law or otherwise; provided that the consummation of the transactions specifically contemplated by the Transaction Agreements (and the receipt of Equity Stock in connection therewith) shall not result in or constitute a "Transfer"; provided, however, that, notwithstanding the immediately proceeding proviso, the receipt of Equity Stock in exchange for Restricted Hughes Stock in the Merger shall be a "Transfer". "Transfer" (as a verb) shall have the correlative meaning.

"Trust" shall mean any separate trust created and administered in accordance with the terms of Section 4 of Article IV, for the exclusive benefit of any Beneficiary. "Trustee" shall mean any Person, unaffiliated with both the Corporation and any Prohibited Owner (and, if different than the Prohibited Owner, the Person who would have had Beneficial Ownership of the Shares that would have been owned of record by the Prohibited Owner), designated by the audit committee of the Board of Directors to act as trustee of any Trust, or any successor trustee thereof.

"Volume Weighted Average Trading Price" means, with respect to any Trading Day, the weighted average of the reported per share prices at which transactions in the relevant Equity Stock are executed on the New York Stock Exchange during such Trading Day (weighted based on the number of shares of the relevant Equity Stock traded), as such weighted average price appears on the Bloomberg screen "Volume at Price" page for such Equity Stock.

O. <u>NYSE Transactions</u>. Nothing in this Section 4 of Article IV shall preclude the settlement of any transaction entered into through the facilities of the New York Stock Exchange or any other national securities exchange or automated inter-dealer quotation system. In no event shall the existence or application of the preceding sentence have the effect of deterring or preventing the conversion of Equity Stock into Excess Stock as contemplated herein.

#### ARTICLE V

#### **Board of Directors**

## **SECTION 1. Number; Series; Terms.**

Except as otherwise fixed by or pursuant to the provisions of this Certificate of Incorporation relating to the rights of the holders of any series of Preferred Stock, the number of directors of the Corporation shall be determined in accordance with the By-Laws of the Corporation. In addition, from and after the Merger Effective Time (as defined in the Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of April 9, 2003, by and among the Corporation, The News Corporation Limited and GMH Merger Sub, Inc. (the "Merger Agreement")), the directors shall be divided into three classes, designated Class I, Class II and Class III. Each class shall consist, as nearly as may be possible, of one-third of the total number of directors constituting the entire Board of Directors. The directors as of the Merger Effective Time and those directors elected or appointed by the Board of Directors so as to take office in accordance with Exhibit A to the Merger Agreement (or otherwise agreed upon in writing by and among the parties to the Merger Agreement) not later than immediately following the Merger Effective Time shall be designated into classes as set forth on Exhibit A to the Merger Agreement. The term of the initial Class I directors shall terminate on the date of the 2004 annual meeting; the term of the initial Class II directors shall terminate on the date of the 2005 annual meeting; and the term of the initial Class III directors shall terminate on the date of the 2006 annual meeting. At each succeeding annual meeting of stockholders beginning in 2004, successors to the class of directors whose term expires at that annual meeting shall be elected for a three-year term. If the number of directors is changed, any increase or decrease shall be apportioned among the classes so as to maintain the number of directors in each class as nearly equal as possible, and any additional director of any class elected to fill a vacancy resulting from an increase in such class shall hold office in accordance with Section 2 of this Article V, but in no case will a decrease in the number of

directors shorten the term of any incumbent director. A director shall hold office until the annual meeting for the year in which his or her term expires and until his or her successor shall be elected and shall qualify, subject, however, to prior death, resignation, retirement, disqualification or removal from office.

## SECTION 2. Vacancies.

Except as otherwise provided for or fixed by or pursuant to the provisions of this Certificate of Incorporation relating to the rights of the holders of any series of Preferred Stock, any vacancy on the Board of Directors of the Corporation resulting from death, resignation, retirement, disqualification, removal or other cause and any newly created directorship resulting from any increase in the authorized number of directors between meetings of stockholders shall be filled only in the manner provided in the By-Laws of the Corporation or, if not so provided for therein, by the affirmative vote of (i) a majority of all the directors then in office, even if less than a quorum, (ii) a duly appointed committee of the Board of Directors, or (iii) in such other manner as may be determined by the Board of Directors, but in any event not by the stockholders. Any director so chosen shall hold office until the next meeting of stockholders held for the election of directors, with such director's replacement to be nominated for election at such meeting. Such director's replacement who is elected at such meeting shall serve for the remainder of the full term of the director or, from and after the Merger Effective Time, the class of directors in which the vacancy occurred or the new directorship was created and until a successor is duly elected and qualified or until his or her earlier death, resignation, retirement, disqualification or removal from office in accordance with this Certificate of Incorporation or any applicable law or pursuant to an order of a court. If there are no directors in office, then an election of directors may be held in the manner provided by the By-Laws of the Corporation or, if not so provided for therein, by applicable law. Notwithstanding the preceding two sentences, in the event any directors are elected or appointed (including to fill vacancies resulting from any amendment to the By-Laws of the Corporation) by the Board of Directors so as to take office not later than immediately following the Merger Effective Time in accordance with Exhibit A to the Merger Agreement (or otherwise agreed upon by and among the parties to the Merger Agreement), such directors shall hold office until the annual meeting for the year in which his or her term, based upon the class to which such director is appointed, expires and until his or her successor is duly elected and qualified or until his or her earlier death, resignation, retirement, disqualification or removal from office in accordance with this Certificate of Incorporation or any applicable law or pursuant to an order of a court.

#### SECTION 3. Notice.

Advance notice of nominations for the election of directors and business to be transacted at any stockholders meeting shall be given in the manner and to the extent provided in the By-Laws of the Corporation.

## SECTION 4. Removal,

Except as otherwise provided for or fixed by or pursuant to the provisions of this Certificate of Incorporation relating to the rights of the holders of any series of Preferred Stock and except for the automatic removal of a director from office upon such director ceasing to meet

any required qualifications for directors contained in the By-Laws of the Corporation, no director may be removed from office without cause and without the affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of the combined voting power of the then outstanding shares of stock of the Corporation entitled to vote for the election of directors, voting together as a single class.

## SECTION 5. Independent Directors; Related Party Transactions.

Except as provided for in Section 6 of this Article V, the Board of Directors shall consist of at least a majority of independent directors (as "independent director" may be defined from time to time in the By-Laws of the Corporation).

Except as provided for in Section 6 of this Article V, from and after the Merger Effective Time, (i) the audit committee of the Board of Directors shall be comprised solely of independent directors who also satisfy such other standard for service as may be set forth from time to time in the By-laws of the Corporation, (ii) each of the nominating/corporate governance committee and the compensation committee of the Board of Directors shall be comprised solely of independent directors, and (iii) related party transactions (as "related party transactions" may be determined from time to time by the audit committee of the Corporation) between the Corporation and certain parties shall be subject to approval by the audit committee of the Board of Directors.

#### SECTION 6. Standstill

Neither any member of the Purchaser Group nor any Purchaser Successor shall enter into any transaction or series of transactions as a result of which the members of the Purchaser Group, together with all Purchaser Successors, collectively would have beneficial ownership (as such term is defined in Section 13(d) of the Exchange Act) in the aggregate of 50% or more of the outstanding voting securities of the Corporation, unless:

- (i) in connection therewith, such member of the Purchaser Group or Purchaser Successor commences a tender or exchange offer for all of the outstanding voting securities of the Corporation (at a price at least equal to the market price thereof immediately prior to the earlier of the public announcement or commencement thereof) or acquires, or enters into an agreement to acquire, all of such voting securities pursuant to a merger or other business combination transaction with the Corporation (it being understood that the prohibitions set forth in the first sentence of this Section 6 of this Article V shall not apply (A) to any such offer, merger or transaction or (B) from and after the consummation of such offer, merger or transaction if, but only if, as a result of the consummation thereof the members of the Purchaser Group, together with any Purchaser Successor, have beneficial ownership in the aggregate of 50% or more of the outstanding voting securities of the Corporation);
- (ii) such transaction or series of transactions is approved by an affirmative vote of a majority of the "independent directors" of the Board of Directors of the Corporation; or
- (iii) a party that is not an Affiliate (as defined in the Stock Purchase Agreement) of any member of the Purchaser Group or of any Purchaser Successor acquires (and continues to hold), or has announced its intention (and is currently seeking) to acquire, through any transaction or series of transactions, including through any tender or

exchange offer, beneficial ownership in the aggregate of 25% or more of the outstanding voting securities of the Corporation or has announced its intention (and is currently seeking) to effect a merger or other business combination transaction with the Corporation as a result of which such party would become the beneficial owner of 25% or more of the outstanding voting securities of the surviving corporation of the merger or business combination, which merger or other business combination has been approved by the Board of Directors of the Corporation; provided, however, in the event that any member of the Purchaser Group or any Purchaser Successor makes any such acquisition pursuant to the exception provided in this clause (iii) then, unless such acquisition was also in accordance with clause (i) or (ii) above or unless either of the following paragraphs is also applicable, a majority of the Board of Directors of the Corporation shall continue to consist of "independent directors".

The requirements set forth in Section 5 and Section 6 of this Article V shall cease to apply from and after the first to occur of (x) such time as a majority of the independent directors so determines, (y) the acquisition of beneficial ownership of 50% or more of the outstanding voting securities of the Corporation under the circumstances described in clauses (i) or (ii) above or (z) the members of the Purchaser Group and the Purchaser Successors acquire aggregate beneficial ownership of 80% or more of the outstanding voting securities of the Corporation.

In addition, the requirements set forth in Section 5 and Section 6 of this Article V shall cease to apply from and after such time as any of the four persons specified on Exhibit A to the Merger Agreement in Column I thereto (the "Specified Directors") (or any successor thereto specified in writing to the nominating/corporate governance committee of the Board of Directors by a majority of the Specified Directors or their successors then in office) (1) is not, to the extent that the directors in the Class of such Specified Director are up for election at any annual or special meeting of stockholders, nominated by the nominating/corporate governance committee for election to the Board of Directors at such annual or special meeting of stockholders or (2) ceases to be a Director between stockholder meetings and the nominating/corporate governance committee of the Board of Directors fails to appoint as a Director to fill such vacancy a person that was specified in writing to such committee by a majority of the Specified Directors (or their successors) then in office, unless, at such time, (A) the Purchaser Group and the Purchaser Successors have beneficial ownership, in the aggregate, of less than 17% of the outstanding voting securities of the Corporation or (B) the Purchaser (together with any Qualified Subsidiary) has disposed of, in the aggregate, 25% or more of the securities of the Corporation acquired by the Purchaser and any Qualified Subsidiary pursuant to the Stock Sale and the Merger (giving effect to any anti-dilution adjustments).

Any calculation as to the beneficial ownership of the outstanding voting securities of any Person shall be determined in good faith by the Board of Directors of the Corporation.

As used in these Articles, the following terms shall have the meanings set forth below:

"Purchaser Group" shall mean Purchaser, Subsidiaries of Purchaser or Purchaser Successors and (i) K. Rupert Murdoch and any executor, administrator, guardian, conservator or similar legal representative thereof, (ii) any member of the immediate family of K. Rupert

Murdoch, (iii) Cruden Investments Pty. Limited, an Australian company, and any successor (by merger, consolidation, transfer of assets or otherwise) to all or substantially all of its business and assets, (iv) any settlement and trusts, and any entities which are controlled by settlements and trusts, set up for the benefit of K. Rupert Murdoch or members of his family (exclusively or also for the benefit of others) and (v) any Person acting as agent for Purchaser, any Subsidiary of Purchaser, any Purchaser Successor or any Person described in clauses (i) through (iv) hereof.

"Purchaser Successor" shall mean any Person to whom any member of the Purchaser Group transfers (other than pursuant to open market transactions) more than 10% of the outstanding voting securities of the Corporation or any successor of any such Person.

#### ARTICLE VI

Stockholder Action; No Cumulative Voting

## SECTION 1. Meetings; Written Consent.

Subject to any rights provided to the holders of any outstanding series of Preferred Stock, any action required or permitted to be taken by the stockholders of the Corporation shall be effected (i) at a duly called annual or special meeting of stockholders of the Corporation, (ii) by written consent or consents setting forth the action so taken, signed by the holders of outstanding stock having not less than the minimum number of votes that would be necessary to authorize or take such action at a meeting at which all shares entitled to vote thereon were present and voted. or (iii) as otherwise may be permitted under the DGCL, as such law may be amended from time to time. Subject to any rights provided to the holders of any outstanding series of Preferred Stock to call special meetings of the holders of such series, special meetings of stockholders of the Corporation may be called as provided in the By-Laws of the Corporation. Notwithstanding the foregoing, whenever the holders of any one or more outstanding series of Preferred Stock shall have the right, voting separately by class or series, as applicable, to elect directors at an annual or special meeting of stockholders, the calling of special meetings of the holders of such class or series shall be governed by the terms of the applicable resolution or resolutions of the Board of Directors establishing such series of Preferred Stock pursuant to Article IV of this Certificate of Incorporation.

## **SECTION 2.** No Cumulative Voting.

Shares of capital stock of the Corporation shall not be entitled to cumulative voting.

## ARTICLE VII

## By-Laws

Except as provided therein, the Board of Directors shall have the power to adopt, alter, amend or repeal the By-Laws of the Corporation. Except as provided for therein, the stockholders of the Corporation may adopt, amend or repeal the By-Laws of the Corporation but

only by the affirmative vote of holders of at least a majority of the combined voting power of the then outstanding shares of capital stock of all classes and series of the Corporation entitled to vote generally on matters requiring the approval of stockholders, voting together as a single class.

## **ARTICLE VIII**

## Amendments

The Corporation reserves the right at any time from time to time to amend, alter, change or repeal any provision contained in this Certificate of Incorporation, and any other provisions authorized by the laws of the State of Delaware at the time in force may be added or inserted, in the manner now or hereafter prescribed by law; and all rights, preferences and privileges of whatsoever nature conferred upon stockholders, directors or any other persons whomsoever by and pursuant to this Certificate of Incorporation in its present form or as hereafter amended are granted subject to the right reserved in this Article VIII. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Certificate of Incorporation, Section 4 of Article IV, Sections 5 and 6 of Article V and Article VIII of this Certificate of Incorporation shall not be amended, altered, changed or repealed and no provision inconsistent therewith shall be adopted without (x) the affirmative vote of at least a majority of the Directors, including at least a majority of independent directors (as such term is used in Section 5 of Article V hereof), then serving on the Board and (y) the affirmative vote of the holders of at least seventy-five percent (75%) of the voting power of all of the then outstanding shares entitled to vote generally on matters requiring approval of stockholders.

#### ARTICLE IX

## Indemnification; Limitation of Liability.

#### **SECTION 1. Indemnification.**

The Corporation shall indemnify its directors and officers to the fullest extent authorized or permitted by law, as now or hereafter in effect, and such right to indemnification shall continue as to a person who has ceased to be a director or officer of the Corporation and shall inure to the benefit of his or her heirs, executors and personal and legal representatives; provided, however, that, except for proceedings to enforce rights to indemnification, the Corporation shall not be obligated to indemnify any director or officer (or his or her heirs, executors or personal or legal representatives) in connection with a proceeding (or part thereof) initiated by such person unless such proceeding (or part thereof) was authorized or consented to by the Board of Directors. The right to indemnification conferred by this Section 1 shall include the right to be paid by the Corporation the expenses incurred in defending or otherwise participating in any proceeding in advance of its final disposition.

The Corporation may, to the extent authorized from time to time by the Board of Directors, provide rights to indemnification and to the advancement of expenses to employees

and agents of the Corporation similar to those conferred in this Section 1 to directors and officers of the Corporation.

The rights to indemnification and to the advance of expenses conferred in this Section 1 shall not be exclusive of any other right which any person may have or hereafter acquire under this Certificate of Incorporation, the By-Laws of the Corporation, any statute, agreement, vote of stockholders or disinterested directors or otherwise.

Any repeal or modification of this Section 1 by the stockholders of the Corporation shall not adversely affect any rights to indemnification and to the advancement of expenses of a director or officer of the Corporation existing at the time of such repeal or modification with respect to any acts or omissions occurring prior to such repeal or modification.

## **SECTION 2.** Limited Liability.

No director of the Corporation shall be liable to the Corporation or any of its stockholders for monetary damages for breach of fiduciary duty as a director, provided that this provision does not eliminate the liability of the director (i) for any breach of the director's duty of loyalty to the Corporation or its stockholders, (ii) for acts or omissions not in good faith or which involve intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law, (iii) under Section 174 of the DGCL, or (iv) for any transaction from which the director derived an improper personal benefit. For purposes of the prior sentence, the term "damages" shall, to the extent permitted by law, include without limitation, any judgment, fine, amount paid in settlement, penalty, punitive damages, excise or other tax assessed with respect to an employee benefit plan, or expense of any nature (including, without limitation, counsel fees and disbursements). Each person who serves as a director of the Corporation while this Section 2 is in effect shall be deemed to be doing so in reliance on the provisions of this Section 2, and neither the amendment or repeal of this Section 2, nor the adoption of any provision of this Certificate of Incorporation inconsistent with this Section 2, shall apply to or have any effect on the liability or alleged liability of any director of the Corporation for, arising out of, based upon, or in connection with any acts or omissions of such director occurring prior to such amendment, repeal, or adoption of an inconsistent provision. The provisions of this Section 2 are cumulative and shall be in addition to and independent of any and all other limitations on or eliminations of the liabilities of directors of the Corporation, as such, whether such limitation or eliminations arise under or are created by any law, rule, regulation, by-law, agreement, vote of stockholders or disinterested directors, or otherwise.

#### ARTICLE X

## Miscellaneous

#### SECTION 1. Section 203 of the DGCL

The Corporation hereby elects that it shall not be subject to Section 203 of the DGCL or any successor provision.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Corporation has caused this Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation to be executed on its behalf this 22nd day of December 2004

> **HUGHES ELECTRONICS** CORPORATION

By: Larry D. Hunter Title: Senior Vice President and General

Counsel

# The DIRECTV Group, Inc. (hereinafter called the "Corporation")

## AMENDED AND RESTATED BY-LAWS

#### ARTICLE I

## **STOCKHOLDERS**

- Section 1. <u>Annual Meeting; Notice of Stockholders Nominations and Other Proposed Stockholder Action</u>. The Annual Meeting of the stockholders for the purpose of electing Directors and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting in accordance with these By-Laws, shall be held at such place, on such date, and at such time as may be fixed by the Board of Directors (the "Board") and stated in the notice of meeting.
- (a) Nominations of persons for election to the Board and the proposal of business to be transacted by the stockholders may be made at an Annual Meeting of stockholders (i) pursuant to the Corporation's notice with respect to such meeting, (ii) by or at the direction of the Board or (iii) by any stockholder of record of the Corporation who was a stockholder of record at the time of the giving of the notice provided for in the following paragraph, who is entitled to vote at the meeting and who has complied with the notice procedures set forth in Section 1(b) below.
- For nominations or other business to be properly brought (b) before an Annual Meeting of stockholders by a stockholder pursuant to clause (iii) of the foregoing paragraph, (i) the stockholder must have given timely notice thereof in writing to the Secretary of the Corporation; (ii) such business must be a proper matter for stockholder action under the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware (the "DGCL"); (iii) if the stockholder has provided the Corporation with a Solicitation Notice (as defined herein) such stockholder must, in the case of a proposal, have delivered a proxy statement and form of proxy to holders of at least the percentage of the Corporation's voting shares required under applicable law to carry any such proposal, or, in the case of a nomination or nominations, have delivered a proxy statement and form of proxy to holders of a percentage of the Corporation's voting shares reasonably believed by such stockholder to be sufficient to elect the nominee or nominees proposed to be nominated by such stockholder, and must, in either case, have included in such materials the Solicitation Notice; and (iv) if no Solicitation Notice relating thereto has been timely provided pursuant to this Section 1, the stockholder or Beneficial Owner proposing such business or nomination must not have solicited a number of proxies sufficient to have required the delivery of such a Solicitation Notice under this Section 1.

To be timely, a stockholder's notice shall be delivered to the Secretary of the Corporation at the principal executive offices of the Corporation not later than the close of business on the 120th day nor earlier than the close of business on the 150th day

prior to the first anniversary (the "Proxy Mailing Anniversary") of the date on which the Corporation first mailed its proxy materials for the preceding year's Annual Meeting of stockholders; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that if the date of the Annual Meeting is advanced more than 30 days prior to or delayed by more than 30 days after the anniversary of the preceding year's Annual Meeting, notice by the stockholder to be timely must be so delivered not later than the close of business on the later of (i) the 150th day prior to the first anniversary of the preceding year's Annual Meeting or (ii) the 10th day following the day on which public announcement of the date of such meeting is first made.

Such stockholder's notice shall set forth (i) as to each person whom the stockholder proposes to nominate for election or reelection as a Director all information relating to such person as would be required to be disclosed in solicitations of proxies for the election of such nominees as Directors pursuant to Regulation 14A under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), and such person's written consent to be named as a nominee and to serve as a Director if elected; (ii) as to any other business that the stockholder proposes to bring before the meeting, a brief description of such business, the reasons for conducting such business at the meeting and any material interest in such business of such stockholder; and (iii) as to the stockholder giving the notice (A) the name and address of such stockholder, as they appear on the Corporation's books, (B) the class and number of shares of the Corporation that are owned beneficially or of record by such stockholder, and (C) whether either such stockholder intends to deliver a proxy statement and form of proxy to holders of, in the case of a proposal, at least the percentage of the Corporation's voting shares required under applicable law to carry the proposal or, in the case of a nomination or nominations, a sufficient number of holders of the Corporation's voting shares to elect such nominee or nominees (an affirmative statement of such intent, a "Solicitation Notice").

Notwithstanding anything in the second sentence of Section 1(b) to the contrary, in the event that (x) the number of Directors to be elected to the Board is increased and (y) there is no public announcement naming all of the nominees for Director or specifying the size of the increased Board made by the Corporation on or prior to the 120th day prior to the Proxy Mailing Anniversary, a stockholder's notice required by this By-Law shall also be considered timely, but only with respect to nominees for any new positions created by such increase, if it shall be delivered to the Secretary at the principal executive offices of the Corporation not later than the close of business on the 10th day following the day on which such public announcement is first made by the Corporation.

Only persons nominated in accordance with the procedures set forth in this Section 1(b) shall be eligible to serve as Directors and only such business shall be conducted at an Annual Meeting of stockholders as shall have been brought before the meeting in accordance with the procedures set forth in this Section 1(b). The chairman of the meeting shall have the power and the duty to determine whether a nomination or any business proposed to be brought before the meeting has been made in accordance with the procedures set forth in these By-Laws and, if any proposed nomination or business is not in compliance with these By-Laws, to declare that such defective proposed business

or nomination shall not be presented for stockholder action at the meeting and shall be disregarded.

Nominations by stockholders of persons for election to the Board may be made at a special meeting of stockholders if the stockholder's notice required by this Section 1(b) shall be delivered to the Secretary at the principal executive offices of the Corporation not later than the close of business on the later of the 150th day prior to such special meeting or the 10th day following the day on which public announcement is first made of the date of the special meeting and of the nominees proposed by the Board to be elected at such meeting.

For purposes of this Section 1, "public announcement" shall mean disclosure in a press release reported by the Dow Jones News Service, Associated Press or a comparable national news service or in a document publicly filed by the Corporation with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to Section 13, 14 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act.

Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Section 1(b), a stockholder shall also comply with all applicable requirements of the Exchange Act and the rules and regulations thereunder with respect to matters set forth in this Section 1(b). Nothing in this Section 1(b) shall be deemed to affect any rights of stockholders to request inclusion of proposals in the Corporation's proxy statement pursuant to Rule 14a-8 under the Exchange Act.

## Section 2. Special Meetings; Notice.

Special meetings of the stockholders, other than those required by statute, may be called at any time by (a) the Board pursuant to a resolution approved by a majority of the Board, (b) the Chairman or a Vice Chairman or (c) any stockholder of the Corporation who Beneficially Owns (as defined herein) 10% or more of the Corporation's Voting Securities (as defined herein) then outstanding. No other person or persons may call a special meeting of stockholders except as provided in the Company's Certificate of Incorporation, as amended from time to time (the "Certificate of Incorporation"). Only such business as is stated in the notice may be acted upon thereat. The foregoing notwithstanding, unless otherwise provided in the Certificate of Incorporation, whenever the holders of any one or more outstanding series of Preferred Stock shall have the right, voting separately by class or by series, as applicable, to elect Directors at any Annual Meeting or special meeting of stockholders, the calling of special meetings of the holders of such class or series shall be governed by the terms of the applicable resolution or resolutions of the Board establishing such series of preferred stock pursuant to the Certificate of Incorporation. The Board may postpone or reschedule any previously scheduled special meeting.

Nominations of persons for election to the Board may be made at a special meeting of stockholders at which Directors are to be elected pursuant to the Corporation's notice of meeting (a) by or at the direction of the Board, or (b) by any stockholder of record of the Corporation who is a stockholder of record at the time of the

giving of notice provided for in Section 1(b) of this Article I entitled to vote at the meeting who complies with the notice provisions set forth in Section 1(b) of this Article I.

## Section 3. Notice of Meetings; Adjournment.

Except as otherwise provided herein or required by "applicable law" (meaning, here and hereinafter, as required from time to time by the DGCL) or the Certificate of Incorporation, written notice of the place, date, and time of all meetings of the stockholders and the purpose or purposes for which such meeting is called shall be given by mailing, postage prepaid, a copy of such notice addressed to each stockholder of the Corporation entitled to vote at such meeting at his address as recorded on the books of the Corporation, not less than 10 nor more than 60 days before the date on which the meeting is to be held.

Any meeting may be adjourned from time to time, whether or not there is a quorum, either (i) in the discretion of the chairman of the meeting where necessary for the proper and orderly conduct of the meeting (including, without limitation, where necessary to tabulate any vote the tabulation of which is necessary for the continued conduct of the meeting) or (ii) by vote of the holders of a majority of the voting power of the shares of stock present at the meeting.

When a meeting is adjourned to another place, date or time, written notice need not be given of the adjourned meeting if the place, date and time thereof are announced at the meeting at which the adjournment is taken; provided, however, that if the date of any adjourned meeting is more than 30 days after the date for which the meeting was originally noticed, or if a new record date is fixed for the adjourned meeting, written notice of the place, date and time of the adjourned meeting shall be given in conformity herewith. At any adjourned meeting, any business may be transacted which might have been transacted at the original meeting.

#### Section 4. Quorum.

At any meeting of the stockholders, the holders of a majority of all of the shares of the stock entitled to vote at the meeting, present in person or represented by proxy, shall constitute a quorum for all purposes, unless or except to the extent that the presence of a larger number may be required by these By-Laws, the Certificate of Incorporation or by applicable law. Where a separate vote by a class or classes or series is required by law or by the Certificate of Incorporation, a majority of the shares of such class or classes or series present in person or represented by proxy shall constitute a quorum entitled to take action with respect to that vote on that matter.

If a quorum shall fail to attend any meeting, the chairman of the meeting may adjourn the meeting from time to time, without notice other than by announcement to the meeting, to another date, place and time until a quorum shall be present.

## Section 5. Organization.

The Chairman of the Board of the Corporation, or, in his or her absence, such person as the Board may have designated or, in the absence of such a person, such person as may be chosen by the holders of a majority of the shares entitled to vote who are present, in person or represented by proxy, shall call to order any meeting of the stockholders and act as chairman of the meeting. The Secretary of the Corporation, or if he or she is not present, any Assistant Secretary, or in the absence of any Assistant Secretary of the Corporation, any person the chairman of the meeting appoints shall act as the Secretary of the meeting.

#### Section 6. Place of Meeting.

Meetings of the stockholders for the election of Directors or for any other purpose shall be held at such time and place, either within or outside the State of Delaware, as shall be designated from time to time by the Board and stated in the notice of the meeting or in a duly executed waiver of notice thereof.

# Section 7. Conduct of Business.

The date and time of the opening and closing of the polls for each matter upon which the stockholders will vote at the meeting shall be announced at the meeting. The Board may adopt by resolution such rules and regulations for the conduct of meetings as it shall deem appropriate. Except to the extent inconsistent with such rules and regulations as adopted by the Board, the chairman of any meeting shall have the right and authority to prescribe such rules, regulations and procedures and to do all such acts as, in the judgment of the chairman, are appropriate for the proper conduct of the meeting. Such rules, regulations or procedures, whether adopted by the Board or prescribed by the chairman of the meeting, may include, without limitation, the following: (i) the establishment of an agenda or order of business at the meeting; (ii) rules and procedures for maintaining order at the meeting and the safety of those present; (iii) limitations on attendance at or participation in the meeting of stockholders of record of the Corporation, their duly authorized and constituted proxies and such other persons as the chairman of the meeting shall determine; (iv) restrictions on entry to the meeting after the time fixed for the commencement thereof; and (v) limitations on the time allotted to questions or comments by participants.

## Section 8. Proxies and Voting.

At any meeting of the stockholders, every stockholder entitled to vote may vote in person or by proxy authorized by an instrument in writing or by a transmission permitted by law filed in accordance with the procedure established for the meeting. Unless otherwise provided in the Certificate of Incorporation, each stockholder represented at a meeting of stockholders shall be entitled to cast one vote for each share of capital stock entitled to vote thereat held by such stockholder. If the Certificate of Incorporation provides for the issuance of any class or series of stock which is convertible into any other class or series of stock, as a condition to counting the votes

cast by any holder of shares at any annual or special meeting of stockholders, the Board or a duly authorized committee thereof, in its discretion, may require the holder of any shares to furnish such affidavits or other proof as the Board or such committee deems necessary and advisable to determine whether such shares have been converted pursuant to the terms governing the issuance and conversion of such shares in the Certificate of Incorporation. Any copy, facsimile telecommunication or other reliable reproduction of the writing or transmission created pursuant to this paragraph may be substituted or used in lieu of the original writing or transmission for any and all purposes for which the original writing or transmission could be used, provided that such copy, facsimile telecommunication or other reproduction shall be a complete reproduction of the entire original writing or transmission. All voting, except as may be required by law, including voting for the election of Directors may be by a voice vote; provided, however, that upon demand therefor by a stockholder entitled to vote or by his or her proxy, or upon resolution by the Board in its discretion or by action of the chairman of the meeting, in his or her discretion, a stock vote may be taken. Every stock vote shall be taken by written ballots, each of which shall state the name of the stockholder or proxy voting and such other information as may be required under the procedure established for the meeting. Unless otherwise specified by the Certificate of Incorporation or these By-Laws, (i) at all meetings of stockholders for the election of Directors, a plurality of the votes cast shall be sufficient to elect, and (ii) any other question brought before any meeting of stockholders shall be determined by the votes cast affirmatively or negatively by the holders of a majority of the stock represented and entitled to vote thereon.

## Section 9. Stock List.

The officer of the Corporation who has charge of the stock ledger of the Corporation shall prepare and make, at least 10 days before every meeting of stockholders, a complete list of the stockholders entitled to vote at the meeting, arranged in alphabetical order, and showing the address of each stockholder and the number of shares registered in the name of each stockholder. Such list shall be open to the examination of any stockholder, for any purpose germane to the meeting, during ordinary business hours, for a period of at least 10 days prior to the meeting, either at a place within the city where the meeting is to be held, which place shall be specified in the notice of the meeting, or, if not so specified, at the place where the meeting is to be held. The list shall also be produced and kept at the time and place of the meeting during the whole time thereof, and may be inspected by any stockholder of the Corporation who is present. The stock ledger of the Corporation shall be the only evidence as to who are the stockholders entitled to examine the list required by this Section 9 or the books of the Corporation, or to vote in person or by proxy at any meeting of stockholders.

## Section 10. <u>Inspector of Elections</u>.

Before any meeting of stockholders, the Board shall appoint one or more inspectors to act at the meeting and make a written report thereof. The Board may designate one or more persons as alternate inspectors to replace any inspector who fails to act. If no inspector or alternate is able to act at a meeting of stockholders, the chairman of the meeting shall appoint one or more inspectors to act at the meeting. Each inspector,

before entering upon the discharge of his or her duties, shall take and sign an oath faithfully to execute the duties of inspector with strict impartiality and according to the best of his or her ability.

The inspectors shall, in accordance with these By-Laws and the Certificate of Incorporation, ascertain the number of shares outstanding and the voting power of each, determine the shares represented at the meeting and the validity of proxies and ballots, count all votes and ballots, determine and retain for a reasonable period a record of the disposition of any challenges made to any determination made by the inspectors, and certify their determination of the number of shares represented at the meeting and their count of all votes and ballots.

The inspectors may appoint or retain other persons or entities to assist the inspectors in the performance of their duties. In determining the validity and counting of proxies and ballots, the inspectors shall act in accordance with applicable law.

#### **ARTICLE II**

## **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

## Section 1. Number, Election and Term of Directors.

Except as otherwise fixed by or pursuant to the provisions of the Certificate of Incorporation relating to the rights of the holders of any class or series of preferred stock, the number of Directors of the Corporation shall be fixed from time to time by resolution adopted by a majority of the entire Board, but the number of Directors shall at no time be less than eleven (11) and initially shall be eleven (11). Directors need not be stockholders. Directors shall (except as hereinafter provided for the filling of vacancies) be elected by the holders of the shares of stock entitled to vote thereon, by a plurality vote thereof, at the Annual Meeting of stockholders. Each Director so elected shall hold office until such Director's successor is duly elected and qualified, or until such Director's death, or until such Director's earlier disqualification, resignation, retirement or removal.

## Section 2. Certain Definitions. For the purposes of these By-Laws:

"Acquisition-Related Agreements" means the Merger Agreement, the Stock Purchase Agreement and any other Transaction Agreements (as defined in the Stock Purchase Agreement).

"Affiliate" with respect to any person shall mean any other person who, directly or indirectly, controls, is controlled by or is under common control with such person.

"Beneficially Owns" (and variations thereof) shall have the same meaning as under Section 13(d) of the Exchange Act and Regulation 13D-G thereunder (or any successor provision of law).

"Employee Director" means a Director, who at the time of taking office as a Director, is an employee of the Corporation or any Subsidiary of the Corporation.

"Independent Director" means a director who qualifies as an "independent director" under the rules and regulations of the New York Stock Exchange in effect from time to time; provided, however, that if, at any particular time, the New York Stock Exchange has not then adopted a definition of "independent director", "Independent Director" shall mean a director who, as determined in good faith by the Board (other than the "Independent Director" in question), has no relationship to the Corporation that may interfere with the exercise of his or her independence from management of the Corporation and the Corporation and no material relationship with any member of the Purchaser Group (as defined in the Certificate of Incorporation) or any Purchaser Successor (as defined in the Certificate of Incorporation).

"Merger Agreement" shall mean the Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of April 9, 2003, as amended, by and among the Corporation, The News Corporation Limited and GMH Merger Sub, Inc.

"Purchaser" means The News Corporation Limited and any successor (by merger, consolidation, transfer of assets or otherwise) to all or substantially all of its business and assets, which also succeeds to ownership of all or substantially all of its ownership of Voting Securities.

"Stock Purchase Agreement" shall mean the Stock Purchase Agreement. dated as of April 9, 2003, as amended, by and among The News Corporation Limited, GMH Merger Sub, Inc., and General Motors Corporation.

"Subsidiary" with respect to a Person, means any corporation, limited liability company, partnership, trust or unincorporated organization of which such Person owns, directly or indirectly, 50% or more of the outstanding stock or other equity interests, the holders of which are entitled to vote for the election of the board of directors or others performing similar functions with respect to such corporation, limited liability company, partnership, trust or unincorporated organization.

"Voting Securities" means the common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, of the Corporation and any shares of capital stock of the Corporation entitled to vote generally in the election of Directors. A stated percentage of the Voting Securities shall mean a number of shares of the Voting Securities as shall equal in voting power that stated percentage of the total voting power of the then outstanding shares of Voting Securities entitled to vote in the election of Directors.

## Section 3. Nomination of Directors.

(a) Only persons who are nominated in accordance with the following procedures shall be eligible for election as Directors of the Corporation, except as may be otherwise provided in the Certificate of Incorporation with respect to the right of holders of any class or series of preferred stock of the Corporation to nominate and elect a specified number of Directors in certain circumstances. Nominations of persons

for election to the Board may be made at any Annual Meeting of stockholders, or at any special meeting of stockholders called for the purpose of electing Directors, (i) by or at the direction of the Nominating Committee or (ii) by any stockholder of record of the Corporation who is a stockholder of record at the time of the giving of notice provided for in Section 1(b) or Section 2 of Article I entitled to vote at the meeting who complies with the notice provisions set forth in Section 1(b) of Article I.

#### Section 4. Newly Created Directorships and Board Vacancies.

Subject to applicable law and except as otherwise provided for or fixed by or pursuant to the Certificate of Incorporation relating to the rights of the holders of any class or series of preferred stock with respect to such class or series of preferred stock, newly created Directorships resulting from any increase in the authorized number of Directors or, subject to Section 12(b) of this Article II below, any vacancies on the Board resulting from death, resignation, retirement, disqualification, removal from office or other cause between meetings of stockholders shall be filled only by the affirmative vote of a majority of all of the Directors then in office, even if less than a quorum, or a duly appointed committee of the Board, but in any event not by the stockholders. Directors so chosen shall hold office until such Director's successor shall have been duly elected and qualified or until his earlier death, resignation, retirement, disqualification or removal from office in accordance with the Certificate of Incorporation, these By-Laws, or any applicable law or pursuant to an order of a court. No decrease in the number of authorized Directors constituting the entire Board shall shorten the term of any incumbent Director.

## Section 5. Regular Meetings.

A meeting of the Board shall be held after the Annual Meeting of the stockholders and regular meetings of the Board shall be held at such place or places, on such date or dates, and at such time or times as shall have been established by the Board and publicized among all Directors. Meetings may be held either within or outside the State of Delaware. A notice of each regular meeting shall not be required.

## Section 6. Special Meetings.

Special meetings of the Board may be called by the Chairman of the Board, by the Vice Chairman, by the President or by two or more Directors then in office and shall be held at such place, on such date, and at such time as they or he or she shall fix. Meetings may be held either within or outside the State of Delaware. Notice thereof, stating the place, date and time of each such special meeting shall be given each Director by whom it is not waived by mailing written notice not less than four (4) days before the meeting or personally by telephone, or electronic mail, facsimile transmission of notice, or by similar means of communication not less than 12 hours before the meeting or on such shorter notice as the person or persons calling the meeting may deem necessary and appropriate under the circumstances. Unless otherwise indicated in the notice thereof, any and all business may be transacted at a special meeting.

## Section 7. Quorum.

Except as may be otherwise provided by applicable law, the Certificate of Incorporation or these By-Laws, at all meetings of the Board, a majority of the entire Board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. The act of a majority of the Directors present at any meeting at which there is a quorum shall be the act of the Board. The Directors present thereat may adjourn the meeting from time to time, without notice other than announcement at the meeting, until a quorum shall be present.

## Section 8. Participation in Meetings by Conference Telephone.

Members of the Board, or of any committee thereof, may participate in a meeting of such Board or committee by means of conference telephone or similar communications equipment by means of which all persons participating in the meeting can hear each other and such participation shall constitute presence in person at such meeting.

## Section 9. Conduct of Business; Action by Written Consent.

At any meeting of the Board, business shall be transacted in such manner as the Board may from time to time determine, and all matters shall be determined by the vote of a majority of the Directors present, except as otherwise provided herein or required by law. The Board may take action without a meeting if all members thereof consent thereto in writing, and the writing or writings are filed with the minutes of proceedings of the Board.

## Section 10. Powers.

The property, business and affairs of the Corporation shall be managed by or under the direction of the Board which may exercise all such powers of the Corporation and do all such lawful acts and things as are not by statute or by the Certificate of Incorporation or by these By-Laws directed or required to be exercised or done by the stockholders of the Corporation, including, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the unqualified power:

- (1) To declare dividends from time to time in accordance with law;
- (2) To purchase or otherwise acquire any property, rights or privileges on such terms as it shall determine;
- (3) To authorize the creation, making and issuance, in such form as it may determine, of written obligations of every kind, negotiable or non-negotiable, secured or unsecured, and to do all things necessary in connection therewith;
- (4) To remove any officer of the Corporation with or without cause, and from time to time to devolve the powers and duties of any officer upon any other person for the time being;

- (5) To confer upon any officer of the Corporation the power to appoint, remove and suspend subordinate officers, employees and agents;
- (6) To adopt from time to time such stock option, stock purchase, bonus or other compensation plans for Directors, officers, employees and agents of the Corporation and its Subsidiaries as it may determine;
- (7) To adopt from time to time such insurance, retirement, and other benefit plans for Directors, officers, employees and agents of the Corporation and its Subsidiaries as it may determine; and
- (8) To adopt from time to time regulations, not inconsistent with these By-Laws, for the management of the Corporation's business and affairs.

## Section 11. Compensation of Directors.

Unless otherwise restricted by the Certificate of Incorporation, the Board shall have the authority to fix the compensation of the Directors. The Directors may be paid their expenses, if any, of attendance at each meeting of the Board and may be paid a fixed sum for attendance at each meeting of the Board or paid a stated salary or paid other compensation as Director. No such payment shall preclude any Director from serving the Corporation in any other capacity and receiving compensation therefor. Members of special or standing committees may be allowed like compensation for attending committee meetings.

## Section 12. Removal; Employee Director Removal.

- (a) Except as otherwise provided by the Certificate of Incorporation, any Director may be removed from office with or without cause but only by the affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of the combined voting power of the then outstanding shares of stock of the Corporation entitled to vote for the election of Directors, voting together as a single class.
- (b) Notwithstanding anything set forth in this Section 12, unless otherwise determined by the Board, an Employee Director shall cease to be qualified to serve as a Director and shall automatically be removed from office (an "Employee Director Removal") without any action on the part of the stockholders or the other members of the Board, if such person ceases to be an employee of the Corporation or any one of its Subsidiaries, with the removal of such Director to take place upon the earliest of (i) such Director's cessation of employment, (ii) delivery by such Employee Director to the Corporation, or such Subsidiary or Subsidiaries, as the case may be, of a notice of resignation of employment, or (iii) delivery by the Corporation or one of its Subsidiaries, as the case may be, to such Employee Director of a notice of termination of employment.

# Section 13. Special Election or Appointment.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in Section 3 and Section 4 of this Article II, any Directors elected or appointed (including to fill a vacancy due to the increase of the size of the Board), in accordance with Exhibit A to the Merger Agreement (or otherwise agreed upon by and among the parties to the Merger Agreement) so as to take office not later than immediately following the Merger Effective Time (as defined in the Merger Agreement), shall be deemed to be validly elected and appointed irrespective of the provisions of the above referenced Sections.

#### ARTICLE III

## **COMMITTEES**

## Section 1. Committees of the Board.

The Board, by a vote of a majority of the entire Board then in office, may from time to time designate committees of the Board, with such lawfully delegable powers and duties as it thereby confers, to serve at the pleasure of the Board and shall, for those committees and any others provided for herein, elect a Director or Directors to serve as the member or members, designating, if it desires, other Directors as alternate members who may replace any absent or disqualified member at any meeting of the committee. In the absence or disqualification of any member of any committee and any alternate member in his or her place, the member or members of the committee present at the meeting and not disqualified from voting, whether or not he or she or they constitute a quorum, may by unanimous vote appoint another member of the Board to act at the meeting in the place of the absent or disqualified member. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Section if either (A) required by the applicable rules and regulations of the New York Stock Exchange or the Securities and Exchange Commission (in each case, as may be amended from time to time) or (B) under the Certificate of Incorporation the Board is required to consist of a majority of Independent Directors, then from and after the Merger Effective Time, and for so long as the conditions in clauses (A) or (B) above are satisfied, the Standing Committees (as defined herein), shall at all such times consist solely of Independent Directors, except as otherwise provided by these By-Laws. Without limiting the foregoing, the Board shall designate the following committees (the "Standing Committees"): Audit Committee. Nominating / Corporate Governance Committee and Compensation Committee.

## Section 2. Conduct of Business.

Any committee, to the extent allowed by law and provided in the resolution establishing such committee, shall have and may exercise all the duly delegated powers and authority of the Board in the management of the business and affairs of the Corporation. The Board shall have the power to prescribe the manner in which proceedings of any such committee shall be conducted. In the absence of any such prescription, such committee shall have the power to prescribe the manner in which its proceedings shall be conducted. Unless the Board or such committee shall otherwise

provide, regular and special meetings and other actions of any such committee shall be governed by the provisions of Article II applicable to meetings and actions of the Board. Each committee shall keep regular minutes and report to the Board when required.

## Section 3. Audit Committee.

- (a) The Audit Committee shall have at least three (3) members.
- (b) The Audit Committee shall have such responsibilities, and such powers and authority, as are required under the rules and regulations of the New York Stock Exchange, applicable law and the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission, or as are normally incident to the functions of an audit committee (including authority to retain counsel and consultants to assist it in carrying out its responsibilities) or as may be determined by the Board.
- (c) The Audit Committee shall have the sole authority on behalf of the Corporation to assert, defend or settle any claims under and relating to any Acquisition-Related Agreement, except as may be expressly provided in Section 9.4(f) of the Stock Purchase Agreement.
- (d) The Audit Committee shall have sole authority to review, consider and pass upon any Related Party Transaction, and no such transaction shall be effected without the approval of or authorization of a majority of the Audit Committee, provided that the committee may ratify any such transaction.
- (e) The Audit Committee shall have the powers to (i) engage advisers at the reasonable expense of the Corporation to assist in its review and decision regarding any matter including any Related Party Transaction; (ii) utilize internal Corporation resources, including requiring the assistance of an executive employee of the Corporation; and (iii) review Corporation contracts, books and records.
- (f) The Audit Committee may have additional responsibilities as shall be set forth in the Audit Committee Charter from time to time.
- (g) Until such time as the United States Department of Justice and the United States Department of Homeland Security confirm to the Corporation in writing that the following provisions need no longer apply, then
- (i) All members of the Audit Committee shall be United States citizens.
- (ii) The Audit Committee shall have sole authority over the establishment, oversight and evolution of policies related to (a) requests from a Foreign government or other Foreign entity to conduct electronic surveillance or obtain information relating to domestic communications, (b) any decision by the Corporation not to comply with document preservation requests from the United States government, where those decisions relate to Foreign laws or requests from a Foreign government or other foreign entity, (c) any requests from a Foreign government or other Foreign entity